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Hongkong, June 13, 1893. 228

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Hongkong, November 6, 1893. 247

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A. G. MARSHALL,
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Hongkong, May 17, 1894. 835

Intimations.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

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H. M. NAVAL YARD,
Hongkong, 12th July, 1894. 1164

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Hongkong, July 9, 1894. 1140

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Hongkong, June 14, 1894. 1026

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Hongkong, May 28, 1894. 937

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THE CHINA MAIL.

SATURDAY, JULY 14, 1894.

TELEGRAMS.

[SUPPLIED TO THE "CHINA MAIL"]
(Via Southern Line.)

LONDON, 12th July.

THE KOREAN DIFFICULTY.
Lord Kimberley has offered British mediation to China and Japan. The latter has accepted the offer.

LAWS AGAINST ANARCHISM.
The Italian Chamber has adopted stringent anti-anarchist laws, despite the determined opposition of the Radicals and Socialists.

THE UNITED STATES RAILWAY STRIKE.
The trouble at Chicago is practically over, but affairs at San Francisco are still menacing.

London, 14th July, 1894.
ANOTHER EARTHQUAKE AT CONSTANTINOPLE.

A further shock occurred on Thursday evening. Serious damage has been done, and a fresh panic has broken out.

JABEZ BALFOUR.
The Argentine Government has refused the extradition of Jabez Balfour.

UNITED STATES RAILWAY STRIKE.
After conferring with the Strike leaders, President Cleveland appointed a commission to examine into the Chicago troubles.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

PASSED SUZI CANAL.

OUTWARD BOUND.—*Peveril*, May 22; *Dromedary*, 25; *Smit*, June 8; *Empress*, Quantock, 10; *Laver*, 23; *Utopia*, Lingfield, 28; *Trotter*, June; *Overton*, *Maria Valeria*, *Strathay*, 29; *Dembigale*, Sazle, July 3.

HOMEWARD BOUND.—*Elgar*, June 5; *Myrmele*, Oceania, 22; *Achilles*, *Ajax*, *Bentley*, *Reserve*, 26; *Glamorganshire*, 29; *Glenside*, *Glengyle*, *Vincentina*, *Falstaff*, *Malacca*, July 3.

The C. P. R. s. *Empress* of Japan, from Vancouver, left Shanghai at 6.30 p.m. on Saturday, July 14, for Hongkong.

The O. & O. s. *Egypt*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port, via Honolulu and Yokohama, on July 23.

The P. M. & P. Peru, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port, via Yokohama, on July 7.

The Glen Line steamship *Glenorchy*, from London and Straits, left Singapore on July 11, and may be expected here on or about July 17.

The Ben Line's *Benlomond*, from Antwerp and London, left Singapore for this port on July 12, and may be expected here on or about July 18.

The China Mutual Co.'s steamer *Kaisow*, from Glasgow and Liverpool, left Singapore on July 14, and may be expected here on or about July 20.

The N. G. I. s. *Rissoo* left Bombay for this port on July 8, and may be expected here on or about July 26.

The P. & O. s. *Formosa* left Singapore for this port on July 9, and may be expected here on or about July 15.

INDIAN exchanges to hind report severe cases of British officers and men having been bitten by mad dogs throughout India.

The China Mutual Company's steamer *Kaisow*, from Glasgow and Liverpool, left Singapore for this port this morning, and may be expected here on or about the 19th July.

The *Empress of Japan* arrived at Shanghai at midnight yesterday, and left again at 6.30 p.m. to-day for Hongkong, where she may be expected to arrive about 7 a.m. on Tuesday.

Ex-Indian ladies in India are taking an active part in its Regattas. They engage chiefly in pair-cars and sculling; but are not above taking part in mixed pairs. Recently a lady finished first in a paper chase (ponies).

To-morrow morning, between 8 and 10.30 o'clock, the steam-launch *Day-spring*, carrying the Bethel flag, will call alongside any vessel having code pennant C, to convey men ashore to 11 a.m. service at St. Peter's (Seagull's) Church, returning about 12.30.

The Band of the 1st Shropshire L. I. will play the following programme at the Peak tonight, near *Craigieburn*, commencing at 9 o'clock:

March "Hail, Loyal Queen," "Caledonia," "The Queen of Sheba," "In the Land of the Free," "The Star-Spangled Banner," "Dixie."

Fanfare "Pomp and Circumstance," "Psalms."

Natalie "Waltz," "Vivace."

Gavotte "Gavotte," "Recessional," "Recessional."

It has often been noticed how gaudily the chaise and jinrikisha coaches leave their vehicles or odd apprentices lying about anywhere by the roadside, apparently never for a moment dubbing to find them again untouched when wanted. In a case at the Police Court to-day, however, a richha coolie was charged with theft of cushion from a brother John. It turned out in the evidence that the two vehicles had collided, the owner had quarreled, and the cushion was smashed in the fight merely as an act of revenge; and the thief was sent to gaol for three weeks. Thus we are as far as ever from a solution of the problem why the abandoned chair-coach, etc., never get stolen.

Mr. A. J. Balfour, M.P., who won the Parliamentary golf handicap, is a good many very keen golfers, not a first-class player.

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THE GROUND FLOOR of the Premises now available of erection at the corner of No. 10, HORNBY STREET and QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, suitable for OFFICES or SHOPS. The floor can be divided into separate Suites of offices if necessary, to suit intending Tenants.

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Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL AND AMERICAN PORTS.

THIS Steamship *RAVENNA*, Captain F. Cole, carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, on THURSDAY, the 19th July, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports. (This Steamer connects at Bombay with the S.S. *SHANNON* which vessel takes on her Cargo for LONDON, via SUEZ CANAL, leaving that port on the 10th AUGUST, 1894).

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. on the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars, apply to H. H. JOSEPH, Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. CO.'s Office, Hongkong, July 5, 1894. 1128

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES, PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAISE.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, PONDICHERRY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID;

MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, ALEXANDRIA, MARSEILLES, LONDON, HAVRE AND BORDEAUX;

ALSO PORTS OF BRAZIL AND LA PLATA.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 25th July, 1894, at Noon, the Company's E. SYDNEY, Commandant DEMARCO, with MAILS, will leave this Port for the above places.

G. DE CHAMPAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, July 11, 1894. 1181

NOT Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:

JAPAN, Italian barque, Capt. Bartolomeo Guontavino. Muñoz & Co.

L. SISTER, American ship, Capt. Chas. S. Kendall—Reuter Brokers & Co.

Mails.

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP AND RAILROAD COMPANIES.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

Hongkong, June 19, 1894.

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Vessels Advertised as Loading.

Destination	Vessel	Agents	Date of Leaving.
Havre and London	Bulwark (e)	Arnold, Karberg & Co.	About July 20.
Japan	Verona (e)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	July 19, at noon.
London & Paris	Galleys (e)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About July 23.
London, &c.	Shanghai (e)	Butterfield & Swire	About August 2.
London, &c.	Portuguese (e)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	July 16, at noon.
Manila	Emaraldas (e)	Siemens & Co.	Quick despatch.
Marcello v. Saigon	Sydney (e)	Siemens & Co.	Quick despatch.
New York	Bulwark Hill	Shaw & Co.	July 20.
Parma	Parma (e)	Shaw & Co.	July 20.
Samrang & Sourabaya	Padra (e)	Pacific Mail S. Co.	July 20.
S. Francisco	V. Japa (e)	O. & S. S. Co.	Aug. 1, at 1 p.m.
S. Francisco	Calif. (e)	Shaw & Co.	Quick despatch.
Singapore	Siborn (e)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	July 15, daylight.
Shanghai	Furman (e)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	July 20, at 4 p.m.
Sports & H'rb'r	Agiles (e)	Siemens & Co.	July 20.
St. Amoy & Foochow	Wingsang (e)	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	July 18.
Waikou	Empress (e)	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	July 25, at noon.
Wanpo	W. C. (e)	Canadian P. & R. Co.	July 17, at 4 p.m.
Victoria (e)	Tucos (e)	Siemens & Co.	July 16, at 4 p.m.
Yokohama	Kobé	Lawang (e)	

To-day's Advertisements.

VICTORIA HOTEL.

MAILS will close—

FOR STRAIT & CALQUETTA.—

Per Wingang, at 11.30 a.m., on Wednesday, the 18th inst.

FOR NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.—

Per Verona, at 11.30 a.m., on Friday, the 20th inst.

FOR SINGAPORE.—

Per Asia, at 3.30 p.m., on Friday, the 20th inst.

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET.—

The British Contract Packet *Ravena* will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 16th July, with Mails for the United Kingdom, Europe, and countries beyond, via *Bristol*; to the Straits Settlements, Netherlands India, Burmah, Ceylon, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.

The usual hours will be observed in closing the Mails.

MAILS BY THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.'S PACKET.—

The Canadian Pacific Mail Packet *Empress of Japan* will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 26th July, with Mails for the United Kingdom, Europe, and countries beyond, via *Bristol*; to the Straits Settlements, Netherlands India, Burmah, Ceylon, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.

Lord Randolph Churchill is going to tour round the world, and will probably visit Hongkong next year.

A SWANAN of the notorious Nova Scotian ship *Selkie*, named O'Grady, was arrested to-day on a warrant charging him with an unnatural offence.

For stopping his rascals in Queen's Road on June 20 so violently as to throw out a sailor and cause his detention in hospital ever since with a broken head, a coolie was fined \$2 by the Magistrate to-day.

Ho Po, pointman on the Tramway, was summoned to the Magistracy to-day to answer a charge of neglecting duty, presumably in connection with the recent accident, but the charge was withdrawn.

In one of the violent squalls about half-past seven o'clock this morning, a steam launch of the Victoria Wharf had her awning carried away with such a "sudden jerk" that the funnel and some of the stanchions also went over. Another launch lost her awning; a fishing junk and two sampans near the middle of the harbour capsized; no loss of life is reported.

A CHINIAN District and Sessions Judge in Oudhi would seem to be of the muscular order of law dispensers. The Calcutta Englishmen says that on the occasion of a Native witness prevaricating when giving evidence, the judge blithely sprang from the bench, entered the witness-box, and soundly boxed the ears of the astonished witness. The story is probably mythical, but if the judge were in Hongkong he would get too much of this to keep it up long; in fact, he would wear out twice as many boozing gloves on bench cushions.

The programme for the second Gymkhana has been published. The meeting will take place on Saturday, 4th August. In addition to two foot-races there will be—Pony Race (2 miles); Pony Race (once round), Pony Race (miles, handicap), and Lemont Cutting. The "silly event" is not forth in the programme as "Ladies' Nomination." A Mathematical Race—Competitors start mounted in front of the winning post. Ride over a hurdle, round a flag (left arm) 150 yards distant, and back over hurdle; hand an envelope to nominator containing a paper on which a simple set sum has to be worked out by the nominator unassisted; once more round the flag, first past the winning post, with the sum correctly worked out in his hand, wins."

Mr Clement Scott has written a new cricket song.

A DRAIGHORNED Service reward of £100 a year has been bestowed on Colonel W. R. Lees, who served with distinction in the Indian Mutiny, China War, and Soudan Expedition.

LABOURERS is of opinion that "a Gymkhana will supply features of agreeable novelty in the entertainments of fashionable society." This may, or may not, be sarcasm.

THE PLAGUE IN HONGKONG. The bubonic plague still continues, but the plague of literature thereon has stopped, as far as the newspapers are concerned at any rate, for which with all other mercies may we be truly thankful! The "stopper" has been supplied by one of the medical men, a genuine worker who was naturally and righteously indignant at the uncalled-for and unreasonable interference of other doctors who had not the slightest excuse for presuming to enter into the discussion of plague questions. The result is that, in reply to the "special pleading" of the non-reporting section, the Government has received yet another letter, stating the truth in terms so plain that even the most obtuse official could see the point without requiring a surgical operation. This letter has not been forwarded to the press for publication by the Government in such a hurry that Drs. Cantlie and Hartigan. In fact, it is rumored that the Government is now desirous of stopping the flood of correspondence and special reports. Of course, it would have been better if they had never started, if the Permanent Committee had been left alone from the first; but still, it is never too late to mend.

At the Magistracy to-day Ching Kim Shing, a jinrikisha-builder, and Wong Hi, a coolie, were charged with having killed 1870 to Sergeant W. Barrow, S.I.M., as a bribe to induce him to neglect his duty in the destruction of inferior jinrikishas. The trial, the Law, Handicap, three years running, was, though Trident won the Handicap Stakes at Ascot for three years in succession, and St. Gotion was the Jockey Club Cup in 1884, and the two following years. A singularly beautiful chestnut horse, called Muriel, twice won the Stewards' Cup for the Duke, and in 1892, the year of his second win, also secured the Portland Plate at Doncaster, from a good field of seventeen opponents, with the heavy burdens of 9st. 2lb. on his back. The best horse his Grace has owned was, however, Morton, a bay son of Baldric and Chapel, who, after having shown the most remarkable capacity next season, and won seven of the eighteen in which he took part, dying only in the Cheshire, when aged 15, in 1891.

With 1890, when the Duke was credited with nearly £600/- in stakes, which sum Morton contributed over 5000/-.

A four-year-old, Morton, a trophy much coveted by owners, who race for sport, the Gold Cup at Ascot, and of three other races was beaten only in the Cheshire, when handicapped with the almost prohibitive weight of 9st. 7lb., though on the occasion of his last appearance at Newmarket he was disengaged.

There were only two runners for the Jockey Club Cup, and the race was estimated the most absolute of certainties for Morton, who won by a neck; but there had been some bumping towards the finish, and on appeal the race was awarded to Lord Zetland's *Patrick Blue*.

The Duke is not selling his mare, however, and there is

thus reason to hope that he does not intend

completing animal retirement from a sport in

which he takes a keen interest.

A RATHER serious accident happened on board the *Nitrope* on her way up to Shanghai, for on 5th inst. one of the steam pipes burst and filled the engine room with steam, and while the chief engineer was trying to shut off the steam, his hands were badly scalded, the other two engineers being also scalded. The chief engineer's injuries are the worst, and it will be weeks before he will be able to resume duty.

JUDGING from the present spirit of the Chinese, writes the Tibetan native correspondent of the *N.C. Daily News*, there is fierce longing amongst even the most peaceful inclined—merchants for instance—to come to blows with Japan, whom though they become the greatest losers. The masses are confident of ultimate victory, and this is the great thing for success amongst the Chinese who have felt this ten years ago when fighting the French. No nation possesses the trust of the Chinese nation more than the British, and in the event of mediation China would only listen to terms proposed by England which she would not tolerate from any other nation.

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THE CHINA WAR, 1890.

The Editor of the *Australasian Army, Navy and Defence Review*, one of the most readable professional publications that has reached us, continues his account of the China War of 1890 as follows:

The audience hall of the palace, though not reflective of the other chambers, had its charms in Chinese eyes, but the throne was brightly carved in wood, and decorated with characteristic silk. There was not much to "look" at in the chamber. Amongst the prizes of the Summer Palace which fell to the lot of the British army, was the discovery of some gold ingots by Major Anson, A.D.C., which were valued at £3000. They were thrown into the general prize fund, which then amounted to 123,000 dollars. The two armies enjoyed themselves on the 7th and 8th at the Summer Palace, and a further military movement was made upon Pekin until the 9th and 10th. The diplomats became busy with Prince Hung—ah, cunning, coy, childish, and deceitful, like his countrymen. He desired the allies not to advance upon the capital, as it would tend to create disorder, and that he would do his best to restore the captives—Messrs. Loch, Parkes, and Sonoby, Lieutenant Anderson, Captain Notman, Mr. Bouby of the Times, and our brave Indian fellow-subjects were tortured, staved, gagged, and some slaughtered, filled the allied army with horror and savage indignation.

One day, when Colonel Wolseley, Mr. Swinhoe, and other gallant officers were sent surveying, and mapping out the ground and environs of Pekin, they met a party of Chinese, with five carts, each carrying a coffin. The sudden truth dawned upon them that the coffins contained all that was left of their unfortunate countrymen who had been tortured to death by the enemy. The procession of carts came slowly and, after halting them, Wolseley ordered the drivers to go forward towards the headquarters camp. The party escorted the now prostrate dead, and sent on a messenger to inform Sir Hope Grant and Lord Elgin of the circumstances. The news about their fate gradually spread out, and, when the Chinese sent into our entente Messrs. Parkes, Loch and others, the whole truth came out. When the troops in groups listened to how a Britisher or a Sikh was spurned upon, caged like a tiger or wild beast, exhibited to the public gaze, insulted, made to bow their heads upon the ground, with cut feet, bleeding wrists from tight cords, mad with pain and thirst, and suffering worse than if in the hands of the Spanish Inquisition, the spirit of revenge became inherent in the Saxon, Gallo, Hindoo, and Moslem breast. The officers had enough to do to keep revengeful feelings down, for they were similar to those which prompted the cries of 'Magdeburg quarter' and 'Remember Cannow!

Lord Elgin was placed in a delicate position. The army was bound to advance upon Pekin to give the Celestial Kaiserburgh quarter, but His Lordship did all that diplomacy could do to have those noble heroes who never returned to their camp and comrades. He also feared that the advance of the army would make the Chinese officials cruelly smother them in cold blood, yet it was imperative that the army should advance, and end the campaign before the cold weather set in. Loch and Parkes were restored to Lord Elgin on 8th October. Much time was spent in diplomatic correspondence, resulting in the only object of the war, giving the Chinese time to concentrate the forces, and procrastinate further with the allies, now growing impatient. Sir Robert Napier boldly advised the advance, and advocated the same tactics relative to the campaign as he afterwards adopted towards Theodore when he commanded-in-chief before Magdala.

The situation having been fully discussed by both French and British general and diplomats, the final forward movement upon Pekin was made on the 9th. Sir Robert Napier insisted upon a determined advance, and ably supported Sir Hope Grant and General Collineau against劝告 to slow diplomacy. Neither did Elgin nor the French know anything about Asiatic warfare, which as Sir Stratford said, 'What your enemy is in this open, go straight to him, and keep him moving; and, when behind ramparts, still go at him, and, if all else fails, retreat, when possible; pursue him, if escaping or escaped.' The General must be the life and soul of an army and campaign, and not the statesman until the foe is humbled, and the objects of the war are obtained. The military argument prevailed, and, on the morning of the 9th, the French left the Summer Palace to take up a position on the left of Pekin. Wolseley, Probyn, Creaker, Crook, Patte, Dillon, Napier, Tallock, Dernier, Arsen, and others again rode up to within 200 yards of the works. The British troops soon followed, and Sir Robert having had the ground to the Anting Gate surveyed, the march closed without much opposition.

The British cavalry, as usual, watched every movement, and always maintained their supports. People were still friendly, and turned out to see the allied force marching upon the great Pekin. Every half-mile of the journey showed that the troops were in the midst of a great population. Napier and his divisional officers were continually on the front noting every incident, and, under the ever development of the approach to Pekin, The Chinese General's cavalry was indigence and dyspepsia, and had 100,000 men, was still a mystery, and having had 1600 killed in his last battle, did not appear again to have 'one more fight with the redoubt'. Sir Hope Grant and Sir Robert Napier ably took ground through the suburbs right in front of the Anting Gate, and a short time took in the nature of the walls, ditch, and armament to be attacked. The people were greatly astonished at the European array. By 4 p.m. both the French and English arrived at their objective point, and encamped. The British survey officers had done their terrain well, and Napier was able to 'steer' his troops to Pekin.

Meanwhile, the Generals and engineers were busy with details of the proposed siege. The peace proposed did not stop their operations a moment, and the expert officers also reported to the chief that opinions of the walls to be taken down.

Pekin then, and Pekin to-day, had two distinct aspects. Lots of dirt and rubbish covered the ruins of the suburbs, and shops covered against large sections of the walls. The local fields were well cultivated, manured, and irrigated, and yielded two crops of millet per annum. Agriculture was represented by crops of maize, beans, sweet potatoes, cassava, fruit, &c. Pastoral avocations looked poor. The pasturage was bad, whilst such things as milk, butter and cheese were almost unknown to the Chinese farmer, despite the near and ready market. Poultry of all kinds, and eggs, were plentiful, whilst stock seemed to be removed, as the Tartars knew their value. The villages passed during the day were surrounded by wattle and dwarf fences. All the farm-houses, yards, barns, haystacks, house and cattle sheds were safely enclosed.

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